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What is claimed is:

- 1. An isolated eugenol hydroxylase comprising two subunits wherein one subunit comprises a cytochrome C which is encoded by SEQ ID NO: 11 and wherein the second subunit comprises a flavoprotein which is encoded by SEQ ID NO: 15.
- 2. An isolated DNA coding for the enzyme according to claim 1 comprising SEQ ID NO: 11.
- 3. A cosmid clone comprising an isolated DNA according to claim 2.
- 4. A vector comprising an isolated DNA according to 55 claim 2.
- 5 5. A microorganism transformed with the isolated DNA according to claim 2.
- 6. A process of converting eagenul to comiferyl alcohol comprising subjecting eagenul to the eagenul hydroxylase according to claim 1 for a period of time sufficient to convert the eagenul to coniferyl alcohol and recovering the alcohol thus formed.
 - An isolated DNA coding for the enzyme according to claim 1 comprising SEQ ID NO: 15.

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